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THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (*a*) The Examiner of Local Fund Accounts.

" (*b*) The audit extends to special funds which pass through the accounts of the Municipal Council.

" (*c*) Yes.

" (*d*) No. Does not arise."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Inasmuch as conducting an exhibition has almost become the rule and not the exception with local bodies, will the Government take steps to see that the accounts of those exhibitions are also audited because in the Kozhikode Municipality for the last three years, and even to-day I know, the exhibition accounts have not been audited even in spite of the demand made by the municipal councillors? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" The Examiner of Local Fund Accounts is asked to check the accounts."

* 465 *Q*.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" I submit, Sir, that the question No. 465 may be taken up to-morrow." 10 a.m

MR. SPEAKER :—" All right."

Number of wells dug in Cuddapah district.

* 466 *Q*.—SRI N. SIVARAMI REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of wells dug so far in each taluk of Cuddapah district under the Rural Water-supply Scheme;

(*b*) what is the total amount of money spent on the same;

(*c*) how many of them are actually being used by the villagers and how many not; and

(*d*) whether the wishes of the people in the locality are ascertained in the selection of the site before the wells are dug?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The total number of wells sunk in the Cuddapah district under the Five Year Comprehensive Programme beginning from 1948–49 up to 31st December 1952 was 820 and the expenditure incurred on them was Rs. 24,15,144. A talukwar and yearwar statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

" (*c*) All the 820 completed wells are being used by the villagers.

" (*d*) Sites are being selected with a view to see that there is no contamination from unhealthy surroundings. The conveniences of the villagers regarding the proximity of the well sites to living habitations and the accessibility of the sites for all communities are also generally taken into consideration. The sites are selected after a joint inspection by the Minor Irrigation staff and Health Inspector, and generally the wishes of the people in the locality are also ascertained."

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 215 infra.